

WEATHER FORECASTS

The barometer is abnormally low over the interior of this province, and southerly and westerly winds prevail. Light clouds, fine, moderately cold weather prevails in the Pacific.

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LITTLE IS SAID ON MAIN TOPICS

Speech From Throne Makes Only Vague Reference to Action to Be Taken on Maritime Report

NOT MUCH INTIMATION OF GOVERNMENT POLICY

Ottawa Ministry Does Not Indicate Promised Strong Programme—Nothing Mentioned of Tax Reduction

OTTAWA, Ont., Dec. 10.—With unusual pomp and ceremony, the House of Commons, today formally opened the sixteenth Parliament of Canada. His Excellency entered by the main door instead of the Senate entrance as formerly, and the procession wound its way through the corridors to the Senate, departing the same way. The Senate, and his great brilliancy and was in harmony with the progress in pomp and ceremony so evident during the past five years. As a social function it has an increasing attractiveness even for the most ardent advocates of pure democracy. Lord Willingdon is a perfect master of French, and his fluency, diction and accent in that language were favorably commented upon by French Canadians.

The speech from the Throne did not indicate any legislative program, and unless there is more than foretold it will be a session of originality.

New business, as foretold in the speech from the Throne, of the revision of the rules of the House of Commons, assistance to coking plants and possible legislation based on the Duncan report. The possibility of further construction of the Hudson Bay Railway, more branch lines for the Canadian National, and approval of the agreement with holders of Grand Trunk perpetual debentures were mentioned. The program should be completed in ten days, except for the legislation scuttled by dissolution last year, which will be reintroduced.

Government announcements of proposed legislation are generally vague, but the indications of the references to the Hudson Bay Railway and Maritime rights has already alarmed the Maritime Maritime. The former see their promised outlet by the Hudson Bay Railway far from realization, despite the promises made during the last election campaign, while the latter fear that the re-annexation of the Maritime Provinces will be further delayed, and that the situation of those provinces will continue.

The speech from the Throne The following is the text of the speech from the Throne:

"Honorable Members of the Senate and Members of the House of Commons: "I desire in this occasion to assure you of the great satisfaction it affords me to be associated with you in the important task upon which you are about to enter at this, the first session of the sixteenth Parliament of Canada, and to avail myself of your assistance and advice in discharging the duties which His Majesty the King has entrusted to me as his representative.

"Once again we have cause to be thankful for a bountiful harvest and other assurances of continued prosperity. It is gratifying to note that during the year the foreign trade of Canada has shown further marked improvement, and that immigration has substantially increased.

Need for Early Session "The necessity of making adequate provision for the public services has compelled me to summon you at an earlier date than would otherwise have been necessary. In order to provide for present and immediate future needs and to regularize expenditures you will be asked forthwith to meet the necessary supply for the current financial year. It is not proposed to proceed with the ordinary business of the session until the re-assembling of Parliament in the new year.

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from the Colonist Tower

Saturday, December 11

34th Day, 1926

THE WEATHER

Victoria and vicinity—Strong winds from south, mostly southerly and westerly, partly cloudy, with occasional rain.

Sun Rise: 7:55 o'clock.
Sun Set: 4:18 o'clock.
High Tide: 9:51 a.m., 8.1 feet.
Low Tide: 1:20 a.m., 2.4 feet.

The News

Local and Provincial—Chinese killed on Government Street when struck by automobile.

Durable Mat Company, Inc., may establish branch factory here.

Gordon Head Fruit Growers' Association enjoys full measure of co-operation.

Four men shipwrecked without food on British Columbia island.

Domestic and Foreign—Allies hesitate to abandon military fire breaks out in Rome.

Four actresses die.

Belgium labels Ottawa show Governor-General's warrants.

Maritime Commission's report published.

Canadian wins prizes at Chicago Horse show.

Fire rages in Princeton, Ind., mine.

Speaker Has Presided Over Three Parliaments



HON. RUDOLPH LEMIEUX

GORDON HEAD HAS FULL CO-OPERATION

FRUIT GROWERS ARE MEMBERS OF ASSOCIATION TO EXTENT OF 100 PER CENT

Organization Ready to Join Mayor and Chamber of Commerce in Industrial Scheme

Gordon Head fruit growers are a unit in their co-operation as an association. At the annual meeting of the Gordon Head Fruit Growers' Association, held last evening, it was shown that the membership in the association was one hundred per cent of those engaged in this line of industry. The annual report for the year showed that the association as such was in the best financial condition it had been in since 1920. It was further shown that the individual members of the association had had about an average return from the fruit during the year that had just passed.

Another gratifying situation that was revealed was the fact that the production of the strawberry crop was what returning to its former position. With a production in 1924 of about 10,000 crates of strawberries, the growers had to face a heavy loss in the practical wiping out of the plantations as far as this line of fruit was concerned with the return of the crop in 1925, when only about 3,000 crates were harvested from the district.

Return to Normal

The last season, however, things were better to a very great extent, and there were about 9,000 crates taken from the district. This crop was disposed of, while in the district.

DUNCAN PROTESTS CHANGE IN MAIL

EFFORT MADE TO ALTER ORDER AFFECTING SERVICE WITH COWICHAN LAKE

Special Meeting of Board of Trade Taken Prompt Action at Special Meeting Yesterday

DUNCAN, Dec. 10.—A special meeting of the Duncan Board of Trade was held yesterday afternoon for the purpose of protesting against the action of the Canadian postal authorities in closing out the mail service between Duncan and Cowichan Lake. Unless the protest lodged by the board is effective the change will go into effect on Wednesday next.

"The Duncan Board of Trade, at a special meeting held to consider the question, strongly protest against the decision of the Canadian postal authorities to discontinue the mail service by stage between Cowichan Lake and Duncan.

Domination Convention of Town Planners to Meet

VANCOUVER, Dec. 10.—The annual convention of the Town Planning Institute of Canada will be held in this city in May. It was announced at the annual meeting of the Vancouver branch Tuesday evening. The invitation to headquarters at Ottawa was accepted. In conjunction with the convention, a town planning exhibition will be held in which the public will be invited.

Miller Will Probated

TORONTO, Dec. 10.—Mr. Justice Oatworth granted probate of the will of Charles Miller, prominent Toronto lawyer and politician, which makes very unusual requests and provides that the money should go to the Toronto mother who raises the largest family during the past ten years.

THEATRE ON FIRE; ACTRESSES DIE

Fire Started by Short Circuit Bursts From Behind Stage Into Auditorium in Italy's Capital

PANIC ARISES WITHIN NEIGHBORING AUDIENCE

Sound Is Carried Through Walls of Screams of Women and Roar of Flames—Stampede Follows

ROME, Dec. 10.—Four music hall actresses were killed when a fire, caused by a short circuit, swept through the Apollo Theatre in the midst of the performance tonight. The screams of panic-stricken women in the audience and the roar of the flames were heard in the adjoining Eliseo Theatre, where a performance of "Cavalleria Rusticana" was in progress, causing a stampede among the thousand persons in the audience.

One of the actresses killed was a German; the others have not been identified, but it is believed they were foreigners, since most of the performers were recruited in Germany, Austria and England.

The fire started at the conclusion of the first number of the Apollo programme, when the audience was preparing for the dancing which was to follow. The flames burst from behind the stage to the curtain, spreading rapidly to the walls and ceiling of the auditorium.

Within a few seconds the entire place was aflame, but the audience had succeeded in getting to the exits. The four actresses who were burned had returned to their dressing-rooms and were trapped by the flames.

In the meantime, the stampede in the Eliseo Theatre was controlled by the directors, who appeared on the stage, assuring the audience there was no danger. The performance was suspended, however, and the patrons marched out to the street as the orchestra played the "Royal March."

Raging Fire Drives Rescuers Out From Mine at Princeton

PRINCETON, Ind., Dec. 10.—A raging fire necessitating abandonment of all rescue work, today ended the visit at Francisco Mine No. 2, near here, where an explosion yesterday brought death to two men and serious injury to a score of others.

Clifford Bied died tonight here. He was taken from the mine Thursday night in the last group to leave the shaft alive. Jesse Williams, of Princeton, is not expected to survive the night, so serious are his injuries.

The mine was closed tonight while it still held the bodies of five men. S. J. Ruhl, W. P. Ratliff, Emory West, Walter Thomas and Claude Wright, but only to leave the rescue crews were convinced that all were dead and that further exploring in the face of the new danger was not warranted.

In all, \$363,354 was spent by Governor-General's warrants for items not included in the main estimate of the last Parliament. The total spent by Governor-General's warrant for all purposes since Parliament was dissolved early in the summer was \$3,621,000.

Mr. Lloyd George Pays For First Time Visit To Film Picture Show

LONDON, Dec. 10.—Former Premier Lloyd George paid his first visit to a motion picture show tonight, with his wife and daughter, Megan. He saw the motion picture "Ben Hur" at the Tivoli Theatre. He said it was quite a novel experience, as hitherto the only motion pictures he had seen were at private projections at his own home.

"Ceremony of Keys" Broadcast From Tower

LONDON, Dec. 10.—Millions of radio listeners throughout Great Britain last night, heard from within the walls of the old Tower of London the "Ceremony of the Keys," a ceremony which has been performed nightly for nearly 700 years.

This ceremony was heard last night by listeners in around the world from Kildystown to the Orkneys. In order to secure adequate reception six microphones were specially installed at the Tower.

Conference Report Is Presented at Ottawa

OTTAWA, Dec. 10.—The report of the Imperial Conference was tabled in the House of Commons today by Premier King. It gives a resume of the work done and the conclusions arrived at. Most of these have been summarized in cable reports from London. The report showed that a number of questions with regard to the competency of the Dominion in matters of legislation were submitted to an expert committee and a report on these will be tabled later.

Emperor of Japan Has Developed Pneumonia

TOKIO, Dec. 10.—Vice-Minister Sekiya of the Household Department today confirmed the report that bronchitis, which has caused Emperor Yoshihito to be confined to his bed at his villa, has developed into pneumonia.

The fact that the Emperor's temperature is lower is encouraging, his physicians hoping for improvement in his condition, once his appetite is restored.

Head of Serbian Line Is King of Jugo-Slavia



KING ALEXANDER

ESTIMATES TABLED REPORT WARRANTS

GOVERNMENT HAS BY THAT MEANS MADE UNAPPROVED EXPENDITURES

Over Eight Hundred Thousand Dollars Spent on Items Never Before Parliament

OTTAWA, Dec. 10.—The estimates for the fiscal year ending March 31 next were tabled in the House of Commons late this afternoon. The total amount to be voted is \$191,000,000, which is exactly the same amount as appeared in the estimates of the last Parliament, and were not passed. The estimates tabled today are of particular interest because they are the first since the summer of 1925 when the Government made it necessary for the Government to provide for the Government services by royal warrant instead of by parliamentary appropriation.

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These items are shown in the statement tabled by the Hon. J. A. Robb, Minister of Finance, today. They include \$40,000 for unemployment relief; \$32,000 for the expenses of the Commission investigating the Customs and Excise Department; \$1,232,000 for the expenses of the visit of Queen Marie of Rumania; \$25,000 for the expenses of the Canadian delegates to the Imperial Conference; \$17,943 for transportation of Alberta coal to Ontario; \$10,000 for the reception to the Governor-General.

Other prominent items include the cost of removal of the wreck of the S.S. Canadian, \$15,000; \$41,000 toward reconstruction of the Halifax elevator; and \$149,000 on various harbors and rivers throughout the Dominion.

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NEW FACTORY MAY BE STARTED HERE

AMERICAN FIRM WISHES TO TAKE OUT CANADIAN PATENTS AND MANUFACTURE HERE

Mayor Pendray and Mr. Roger Pinnoe Leave for Vancouver to Discuss Harbor Work

Mayor Pendray and Mr. Roger Pinnoe, port development expert, left for Vancouver last night to take up matters pertaining to harbor development here. Mr. Pinnoe is a resident of Vancouver and will leave for Seattle to investigate another industrial possibility, which is fully expected to lead to the establishment of a new factory here.

It was learned yesterday that the Durable Mat Company, Inc., of Seattle, proposes to establish a branch factory here, which at first start will mean an investment of approximately \$35,000.

Mr. H. W. Bell, vice-president of the company, has learned before the city three propositions, one of which is very favorable, and resulted in a statement from a man of authority that the necessary capital to induce the company to establish a factory here had practically been underwritten. The company will take out patents in Canada and pick up the Canadian rights to protect the manufacturing of its products in this country.

Some idea of the magnitude of this business can be gained when it is known that the company has a plant in the United States which produces a material that the company handled was a \$700,000 contract from the United States Government.

Mayor Pendray, who in the past has always interested himself in the industrial expansion of this city, announced yesterday that his 1927 term of office would be devoted almost entirely to encouraging industrial development here.

Pioneer Lawyer Dies

SEATTLE, Dec. 10.—John Arthur, seventy-seven, pioneer Seattle lawyer and former King County Superior Court Judge, was seriously injured here today when struck down by an automobile driven by J. A. Schlimm, who was arrested for reckless driving.

GENEVA GLOOMY OVER REPORTS

Advices From Paris Show That Council of Ambassadors Is Still a Long Way From Settlement

FOREIGN MINISTERS HESITATE TO DECIDE

They Are Unwilling to Take Responsibility for Ending Inter-Allied Control in Germany

GENEVA, Dec. 10.—Considerable gloom prevailed in Geneva tonight on receipt of advices from Paris that the council of ambassadors and military experts of the Allies and Germany was still wide apart, that the Allies still found the German assurances concerning armaments unsatisfactory.

The foreign ministers assembled in Geneva undoubtedly hesitate to take responsibility for ending inter-Allied control of German armaments in view of the way of agreement on the part of the Allies is expressed that the problem can be settled tomorrow, as had been expected, since the Germans are taking the attitude that they have gone to the limit of concessions and do not need any further assurances.

The two principal obstacles remaining in the way of agreement are the Koenigsberg fortifications and the exportation by Germany of possible war materials.

If Hungary, Why Not Germany? During yesterday's and today's conferences it was brought out that the Allies have compelled Hungary to observe strictly the very restrictions about which Germany is arguing. The Allied military experts declared there was no reason why Germany should not do what others are doing.

The Germans insist that the Koenigsberg fortress is merely a defensive post, although the Allies regard it as a strong position for the start of an offensive. There has been much additional construction at the fortress, which the Germans say is merely in the way of modernizing it, but which the Allies consider returning it into an entrenched camp.

Paris Report

PARIS, Dec. 10.—"Still a good way apart" was the term used tonight to describe the position of the Germans and the Allies with regard to a settlement on the armaments question. Allied military experts were distinct in their opinion that the council of ambassadors, after a two-hour session, failed to get very far in the direction of recommending that the control of German armaments be placed under the direct jurisdiction of the League of Nations, instead of under the inter-Allied control commission, as at present.

The council of ambassadors simply drafted a "new report" similar to that of yesterday, and sent it to Geneva for consideration by the various foreign ministers gathered there for the League Council. These ministers have it in their power to accept the claims of the Germans in good faith and settle the whole affair, but it is more likely that the ambassadors will be asked to continue their efforts.

General von Kurowski, representing the Germans, is expected by those negotiating with him as a very nice gentleman, very polite, but quite in bending in defending German practices to which the French and British military experts have been objecting.

Champion Steer Bought For 80 Cents Per Pound

VANCOUVER, Dec. 10.—Breaking every record ever made in British Columbia for beef prices, David Spencer, Limited, purchased the grand champion steer of the Winter Fair show at Hastings Park last night for eighty cents a pound.

The animal weighed 1,200 pounds and was shown by James H. Smith, Cadboro Bay, Vancouver Island. David Spencer, Limited, besides putting the big price on the steer, also showed some splendid Jerseys, winning the grand championship in that class. The price paid for the champion steer was thirty cents a pound better than the price paid at the great Royal Show at Toronto two weeks ago. Prices generally were very good throughout.

Mayor L. J. Taylor bought the champion lamb of the show for \$52.50 and donated it to the Children's Home for their Christmas dinner.

Mr. Massey Has Title Of "His Excellency"

OTTAWA, Dec. 10.—Hon. Vincent Massey, when in Washington, will be officially styled Minister Plenipotentiary and Envoy Extraordinary in the United States for His Majesty the King of Canada. Premier King has announced here. This will make Mr. Massey "His Excellency."

Dean Brock Appointed Delegate to Prague

OTTAWA, Dec. 10.—Dean W. R. Brock, University of British Columbia, has been elected delegate to the Third General Assembly of the Union of Geologists and Geophysicists to be held at Prague next year.

Writer Dies

OTTAWA, Dec. 10.—Amos Benjamin, well-known intimate friend of Charles Dickens and author of several reminiscences of the great writer, is dead here, aged eighty-six years. He came to Canada in 1912 to live with his son here.

Wrecked Men Left on Island Without Food Remain for Six Days

Crew Awake at Night With Crash to Find Water Pouring Into Launch—It Had Slipped Off Rock on Which It Had Gone Aground—Shore Reached in Small Boat With Rifle and Blankets

Adventure Occurs on Coast Island Within Short Distance of Bella Bella

VANCOUVER, Dec. 10.—To be shipwrecked and marooned on an island for six days without food is a unique experience off the British Columbia coast.

It happened to Murdoch McLeod, Joseph Boyer, Floyd E. Book and William Hall, all of Vancouver, who left here on October 11, on the thirty-five-foot gasoline launch Billican on a tour of the Coast. Passing Watch Island through Hell's Gate, off Millbank Sound, eighteen miles north of Bella Bella, on the return trip, the launch grounded on an uncharted rock, off the end of a reef, December 1, at noon. Securing the boat with anchor chains, the party settled down to await high tide at midnight.

MAN KILLED WHEN STRUCK BY AUTO

CHOW SING LOW DIES ON OPERATING TABLE FROM INJURIES TO HIS HEAD

Chinaman Was Crossing Government Street When Accident Occurred

Chow Sing Low, Chinaman, fifty years of age, of 1802 Government Street, was knocked down by an automobile at about 6 o'clock last night and died while on the operating table at the Royal Jubilee Hospital.

The fatal accident occurred at the corner of Johnson Street, when an automobile, proceeding along Government Street, and driven by Mr. J. M. Mawle, of 2371 Shikesspey Street, struck him down. The man's injuries were principally about the head.

Investigation by the police satisfied them that the death of the man was of a purely accidental character, and no arrest was therefore made.

Consuelo G. Clark and Driver Wilkinson attended in the patrol wagon and took the injured man to the Royal Jubilee Hospital. Dr. Schell was called in and the man was rushed to the Jubilee Hospital, where he died while undergoing an operation on his head.

The body is now resting at Thompson's Funeral Parlor where the inquest will be held on Monday. Chow was well known in the Chinese colony here.

DISTILLERY SHIPS TO EUROPE'S PORTS

LIQUOR MANUFACTURED IN B.C. IS SHIPPED ACROSS ATLANTIC AND BACK

Tom Fay Appears and Is Subpoenaed—Said Said to Be Imported and Duty Paid

VANCOUVER, Dec. 10.—Liquor manufactured by the United Distillers of British Columbia is often a commodity to Antwerp, Glasgow or London, and then brought back to Vancouver for export to the United States. It is liquor which has failed to qualify for the two-year age certificate demanded under Canada's regulations.

"Unmatured spirits," commented Hon. N. W. Rowell, K.C., when he was examining Mr. Russell Whitlaw, president of the United Distillers, this afternoon.

"Not exactly unmatured," the witness demurred. He said that his company had a process through which the liquor was put which matured it. The sea voyage was believed by some distillers in the United States to improve the product, and that was one reason that it was given to his distilleries.

"Isn't it given the sea voyage so that it will come back to Canada on the return of the liquor to the American market?" asked Mr. Rowell.

"Possibly," said Mr. Whitlaw. "If you shipped it from here direct you would have to give a bond, but if you ship it to Antwerp you get it back in transit, and you give only an affidavit and an undertaking."

Large shipments to Glasgow were large.

"Shipping Canadian whisky to Glasgow would seem like carrying coals to Newcastle," Mr. Rowell said, while the Commissioner laughed.

A cargo of 3,000 gallons was shipped to Glasgow last July and another of 4,500 gallons in September. Some of it is coming back," Mr. Whitlaw said in answer to Mr. Rowell.

Another large shipment was one of 11,000 gallons to St. Pierre Miquelon. Further examination of the Department of Customs has arrived. He appeared at the Court House, where the Commission is sitting, this evening and accepted service of the subpoena. Officers of the Commission have been attempting to serve him for over a week, but he has been out of town. His wife was subpoenaed.

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Prizes Awarded for Making Rabbit Pie

VANCOUVER, Dec. 10.—Mrs. James Thomson, Vancouver, takes the cake as rabbit pie maker of the Province. She carried off first prize at the Provincial Rabbit Show now in progress at Hastings Park here. Mrs. J. Dorset, Vancouver, makes a good rabbit pie, also winning second in the contest, and the art is not unknown in the Capital city as third prize went to Mrs. J. Kimmons, 344 St. Charles Street, Victoria.

Member of Parliament Dies of Heart Attack

MONTREAL, Dec. 10.—Mr. John C. Douglas, M.P. Antigonish, Guyana, N.B., and formerly Attorney-General of Nova Scotia, died suddenly here tonight. Mr. Douglas came from Ottawa today and was taken sick at his hotel and died of a heart seizure before a doctor could be summoned.

Two Thousand Homes Destroyed by Fire

TOKIO, Dec. 10.—Two thousand homes were destroyed by fire Friday night at Naniwa, Shikoku prefecture. The two halls, police station, and other public buildings were caught in the flames. No casualties were reported.

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Apricots, choice evaporated, per lb., 25¢
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COCOA, Cowan's 1/4s 3 tins for, 25c

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Choice Boiling Fowl, per lb., 27¢
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New California Grapefruit, each, 5¢
Smyrna Cooking Figs, 3 lbs. for, 25¢
Choice Chocolates, hard and soft, per lb., 25¢
New Jap Oranges, fancy pack, per box, 85¢

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1 doz. New Laid Eggs, firsts, Both for 95¢

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VOTING IS SUCCESS SAYS AID. MARCHANT

Counting Could Be Improved—One-Block Method Would Also Improve System

Ald. William Marchant, chairman of the committee which recommended the new system of voting, expressed the opinion that the system had proved a success. It was in the way of an experiment, and because of this certain allowances should be made.

It was the almost unanimous testimony of the voters, Ald. Marchant stated, that the new arrangement did away with congestion. It also did away with any perplexity. Voting on the various issues was done equally well as if there had been a polling booth for each ballot.

There were several improvements that could be made, Ald. Marchant said. One was the counting of ballots. This could easily be improved upon in the future, he said. Another improvement was that of the ballot system. Ald. Marchant said that he would recommend to the legislative committee that it suggest changes in the Municipal Election Act, which would make the one-ballot system could be put into force.

Another thing in favor of the new system was that it would save the city from \$400 to \$500.

Ald. Marchant commended the way in which Returning Officer Scowcroft managed the election. It was decided, however, that owing to the system being an experiment, the committee was not able to force just what help would be needed in connection with the counting.

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"These Government measures which passed the House of Commons at the last session of Parliament, but which failed to become law, will be reintroduced. Amendments to the Canada Grain Act will also be submitted for your consideration.

New House Rules

"With a view to expediting public business generally, it is proposed to afford opportunity for the presentation of amendments to the rules of the House of Commons.

"My Government has continued to give special attention to the fuel problem and measures providing for assistance to works constructed for the production of domestic coke from Canadian coal will be submitted.

"The report of the Commission appointed under the Inquiries Act to examine and report upon conditions in the Maritime Provinces will be presented immediately and your attention will be invited to its recommendations. Measures dealing with the matters referred to in the report of the Commission are now under consideration by my Government, and certain legislation in respect thereto will be introduced.

Railway Construction

"Good progress has been made with the work on the Hudson Bay Railway, and it is planned to continue construction at an early date as possible next year. It has been decided to submit the study of conditions at the port to the careful examination of an outstanding British authority on tidal and estuarial conditions affecting harbors.

"Canadian National branch-line construction on the basis of a definite three-year programme having proved entirely successful, that method of dealing with necessary railway expansion will be continued and another three-year programme will be submitted for your consideration.

"You will be asked to approve an agreement with the United Grand Trunk Pacific perpetual debentures.

Imperial Conference

"Members of the Government have just returned to Canada from attending the meetings of the Imperial Conference. The report of the proceedings of the conference, together with the recommendations, will be placed before you for consideration. It will, I believe, be recognized that the joint labors of the Government represented at the conference have gone far to set forth the relations of the members of the British Commonwealth of Nations to one another and to foreign countries, and to insure a ready appreciation of the full measure of self-government now attained in all that relates to their domestic and external affairs. In the prolonged consideration given to specific matters of joint concern, the conference has done much to insure the free and effective co-operation in common ends of the Governments and peoples of the British Empire.

"The recent appointment of a minister plenipotentiary, accredited by His Majesty to represent the interests of Canada in the United States, marks an important stage in the development of the international relations of the Dominion.

Confederation Celebration

"The Diamond Jubilee of Confederation will be appropriately celebrated during the coming year. I am pleased to inform you that His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, who has graciously accepted the invitation of my Government to visit Canada, circumstances permitting, in connection with the celebration. My Government has also extended an invitation to the Premier of Great Britain. The Prime Minister has accepted the invitation and has expressed the hope that the time arrives he may find it possible to be present.

"Members of the House of Commons.

"The estimates for the current fiscal year which have not hitherto been voted by Parliament will be already mentioned, he submitted for your approval forthwith. Estimates for the financial year 1927-28, will be presented.

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GORDON HEAD HAS FULL CO-OPERATION

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loganberry line there was an increase over the former year. The logans showed about a thirty per cent increase in production in this one district, and thanks to the wine production a ready market was found for the whole of the crop, with good price prevailing.

In the other lines of production there was a fair showing and the fruit was disposed of with little or no waste. This has brought the season that has just closed up to a very fair average one among the years that the association has been in existence.

The flourishing condition in which the fruit growers' organization finds itself was shown last evening by the fact that it has ever held. It was with a little pride that the association announced that it was the first one to make its annual report for this year.

Moreover, the officers were able to announce that the growers had been paid in full for all the fruit that had been received by the association during the year.

Fruit Canning Proposal

Rev. M. W. J. Bruce, president of the Saanich Board of Trade, attended the meeting of the association last night, and addressed the members upon the desirability of still further co-operation along the line of supplying a canning plant in the district.

He said that he realized that the growers were not in a financial position to do it all, but he felt that there might be a fair co-operation so that capital might be induced to ally itself with the producers of the fruit and by a system through which the fruit growers would co-operate they might eventually become large shareholders in the enterprise.

The proposition was favorably received by those present and a committee was formed to go into the scheme, and if it was found that if something could not be done along the lines indicated by Mr. Bruce, this committee will go into the subject with the Chamber of Commerce, all of whom are known to be in hearty support of some such scheme being evolved for the benefit of all in the community.

This will come up at a meeting which the Mayor is calling at a date to be fixed later.

The directors for the year were elected as follows:

President, Mr. W. F. Somers; vice-president, W. T. Edwards; secretary-treasurer, Mr. R. P. Twining.

DISTILLERY SHIPS TO EUROPE'S PORTS

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and appeared before the Commission last week, but stated that she did not know where her husband was.

Tom Day will be the first witness called when the Commission meets on Monday. He will be asked to tell what he knows about the liquor-laden vessel Chris Moller which, with her clearance to San Blas, Mexico, from Vancouver, was held up in Victoria on suggestion of the Customs Commission. The cargo to be carried by the Chris Moller was over 21,000 cases, of which she took on about 17,000 at Vancouver.

Tom Day, it has been alleged by another important witness before the Commission, went to San Francisco and Los Angeles to dispose of the Chris Moller cargo. While there, the witness stated, Day adopted the name of James Cameron, registering at hotels under that name. The absence of Tom Day was the occasion for a statement from the chairman of the Commission some days ago that he (Day) would have a long time if he hoped to evade testifying.

Alleged Salt Smuggling

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POLICE REFERENDUM MAY BE ABANDONED

Saanich Police Commission to Be Asked to Withdraw Its Request—Information Regarding Change

It is possible that the proposed referendum on the question of changing the police system of Saanich will not be taken. After discussing the request of the Police Commission that a referendum be taken, the Council decided to ask the commission to withdraw its request and lay the matter over for another year.

A letter from Colonel J. H. McMullen, superintendent of Provincial Police, was read, in which it was stated that the Provincial Police could undertake the policing of Saanich for \$4,500 a year. This would pay the salaries of two officers, keep them in uniforms, telephone and mechanical transport.

The municipality would have to arrange for its magistrates, police court clerk, rent of court room, keep and transportation of prisoners and expenses of inquests.

CONTROL OF HEALTH MATTERS CRITICIZED

Reeve Macnicol Holds Saanich School Board Responsible for Increased Number of Contagious Cases

Reeve Macnicol stated at last night's meeting of the Saanich Council, after receiving the health officer's report, that he certainly would not be held responsible for the health conditions in Saanich.

He told the Council that when the account from the isolation hospital was received, the health officers would be surprised. The bill would be double that of last year, the Reeve said.

This was due to the divided control of health matters in Saanich, he said, and the School Board should be informed that they were responsible. The Reeve said he in no way blamed Nurse McCran, who, he contended, had far too many schools to attend to. The municipal nurses and health officer could not be held responsible for the large number of contagious diseases in the municipality when control of health matters was divided.

Special Airplane May Be Needed for Tropics

COPENHAGEN, Dec. 10.—A special flying machine would have to be devised for exploring wild tropical countries, said Hans H. Hoyte, pilot of Prof. Mathew Stirling's New Guinea Expedition, in an interview published in the Java Bode of Batavia, on the eve of his sailing for Europe.

Hoyte, a Dane by birth, was on his way to his family home at Lundby, Denmark, but was stricken with typhoid fever en route and died at

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Divorce Reports Bill Passes British House

LONDON, Dec. 10.—The bill under which the freedom of newspapers to supply copious reports of divorce proceedings and other cases of a kindred nature to their readers is to be severely restricted, passed its final stages in the House of Commons today.

Alexandria, Egypt. He had been employed for a number of years with the Jackey Aircraft Co. of Chicago.

Violent changes in climatic conditions such as experienced in New Guinea, Hoyte said, were fatal to any ordinary plane, although his machine had done great service on thirty flights, transporting men and material in sometimes very trying circumstances. Finally, he had to leave behind all one of the bases, with his fiasco smashed.

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in the Irish Free State Parliament and every Dominion Parliament before the new title becomes effective.

Sentence Reserved

VANCOUVER, Dec. 10.—W. G. Richards, formerly of Victoria, some months ago the objective of a public search by aroused citizens due to his alleged insulting behavior toward women on the streets, pleaded guilty before Magistrate J. A. Findlay in police court today to a statutory charge of a similar nature committed October 15.

Sentence was reserved until Monday morning next.

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Maritime Commission Report Is Published

Measures Recommended Are Lower Through Railway Rates, Aid to Coal, Iron and Steel Industries—Provincial Grants

OTTAWA, Dec. 10.—The report of the Royal Commission on Maritime Provinces claims was made public today. The following is the official summary of the report:

1. The Commission think that the provinces have made out a case for a revision of the Government's machinery and activity.

2. The Commission agree with the contention of the provinces that they have been and are being dealt with indifferently than the Western Provinces, and think that the latter are entitled to have their allowance reconsidered.

3. The Commission feel that the claim for allowance on Maritime lands, though related, is one that should be looked at in the general financial revision or readjustment which they suggest.

4. The Maritime Provinces have a genuine claim to a readjustment of financial arrangements and in any readjustment their territorial limitations entitle them to still further consideration. While it is not possible to make a final recommendation as to the Maritime, in the meantime, pending such readjustment, they recommend that immediate interim lump sum increases should be made in payments as follows: Nova Scotia, \$275,000; New Brunswick, \$200,000; Prince Edward Island, \$125,000. These interim payments should be continued until the Dominion Government has had time to complete its re-investigation and readjustment.

5. The Commission find that comparing freight rates of 1912 with present rates, the increase on inter-colonial rates amount to ninety-two per cent, that is, 192 per cent, has become 192. The estimated average increase of rates for the rest of Canada is fifty-five per cent, that is, 100 per cent.

6. Reference is made to the fact that the Intercolonial Railway is 250 miles longer than would have been necessary if commercial rather than strategic conditions had prevailed, that the rates before 1912 had been fixed, taking into account national, imperial and strategic considerations, and that the rates have apparently been abandoned since that date.

7. The Commission recommend an immediate reduction of twenty per cent, that is, 192 per cent, on all rates charged on traffic which both originates and terminates at the Atlantic division of the Canadian National Railway (including export and import traffic by sea from and to the division) and that the same reduction be applied to the Atlantic division proportion of the through rates on traffic originating at stations in the Atlantic division, excluding import traffic by sea, and destined to points outside the Atlantic division.

8. For this purpose they think the divisional points should be Island Junction and Levis, instead of Riverview and Monk.

9. The cost of the relief should be definitely borne by the Dominion Government, who would reimburse the Canadian National Railway through the medium of the Canadian National Railway fund.

10. The Canadian Pacific Railway would also be entitled to equitable consideration. If they should find themselves prejudiced as a result of the reduction proposed.

11. The Commission express the view that the Railway Commission upon freight should be authorized to take into account national interests, both producing and consuming; and that if this is not the original intention of Section 320 of the Railway Act, it is the intention which should now be imported into it so that the Railway Commission could, on the ground of national interests alone, authorize reductions in rates for a particular section of the community, even where such reduction might be purely commercial considerations be regarded as discriminatory; and if from public policy they felt that an experimental rate should be conceded they should be free to constitute the rate even although it might not at the time, or of itself give reasonable compensation to the railway company.

12. That the horizontal increases during the war have borne heavily on the long distance traffic and they recommend that the Railway Commission should be authorized to consider the question again, and should be relieved from the necessity of regarding themselves as bound to make reduction horizontally.

13. The Commission state that the difficulties in regard to transportation for Prince Edward Island, to be even come require a measure of capital expenditure and that they recommend that the railway administration make a survey as to requirements and the department provide the capital for the improvements to be undertaken as soon as possible.

14. The Commission recommend that the question of an additional car ferry or a special freight boat be gone into with a view of improving communication and the ferry service should be run under a separate account.

15. The Commission recommend the establishment of statutory harbor commissions for Halifax and St. John and express the hope that this recommendation will not only be accepted but acted upon promptly. They add in this connection: "We believe also from the evidence we have had that, under existing conditions of proprietorship at these ports, there will be neither inducements nor impetus enough to create really great ports, since for some time at all events, it will be necessary to create facilities even ahead of expansion of trade."

16. The Commission recommend that the Department of Public Works make an immediate survey of the harbors of Charlottetown, Georgetown and Summerside, as to wharfage storage accommodation with a view to adequate accommodation being made to meet the needs of the Island's produce, the work to be undertaken by the Department of

Public Works and not by the railway.

17. The Commission record the opinion expressed by New Brunswick witnesses that a trade treaty with the United States covering forest products would greatly benefit the industry. They were asked to recommend the negotiation of a mutual trade treaty to secure a treaty giving fresh fish entry to the American market and removing or lowering the duty on manufactured fish in the American market.

18. The Commission state that the establishment of coking plants under the assistance of the Dominion Government for the coking of Canadian coal would go far toward solving the coal problem and refer to the proposal for by-product coke plants submitted before the Royal Commission on coal mining last year.

The list covers coke plants at Quebec, Montreal, Ottawa, Toronto, Hamilton, Port Colborne and London at a total cost, exclusive of land, of \$11,000,000. This figure does not include London.

19. The Commission recommend that the Tariff Advisory Board should be asked to give immediate consideration to coal tariff. (This subject is before the Tariff Advisory Board.)

20. The Commission recommend that the Tariff Advisory Board should be asked to give immediate consideration to steel tariff. (This subject is before the Tariff Advisory Board.)

21. The Commission refer to the necessity for prompt action in the matter of steel tariff. They state that it was submitted that the tendency of the tariff, as affected by successive alterations, had been to lessen the protection on the primary products of iron and steel.

22. The Commission recommend a bonus on steel when Canadian coal is used in its manufacture, the bonus to be calculated on the basis of present drawback paid on imported coal used in steel manufacture.

Note.—The Commissioners support the recommendation of the 1926 Parliamentary Committee that early consideration should be given by Government to the advisability of renewing the 1924 subvention in favor of Nova Scotia coal. In this connection they point out that the railway rate from Montreal to Ottawa, a distance of 117 miles, is almost twice the cost of the water rate from Sydney to Montreal, approximately 550 miles.

23. In regard to agriculture, the Commission say: "We feel that the responsibility for the backward state rests primarily upon the industry itself and upon the provinces." They make the recommendation involving additional cost to the Dominion, but refer to the growth of Maritime public realization of the importance of organized distribution and co-operative marketing.

24. The Commission, referring to the request for continuance of the 1912 under the Agricultural Insurance Act, 1912, cannot distinguish between Maritime and other provinces, and are unable to make any recommendation.

25. On the subject of immigration they express the view that charges made of default on the part of the Federal authorities in promoting Maritime Province settlement cannot be sustained, but that it may be that the Federal authorities have been more disposed to help those who were helping themselves. This is a matter for co-operation between the three provinces. The Commission recommend that the Federal Government take the matter up with the three provinces.

26. After reviewing the history of the Saint John and Quebec Railway and the change of plans made in 1914 at the instance of the Commission, the Commission feel need for further investigation as to the alleged promise of the Dominion to take the railway over, or into the grounds upon which the belief that such a promise was made is founded. They recommend an ad hoc tribunal to inquire into the circumstances surrounding this matter, with power, if they are satisfied that the circumstances justify it, to arrange terms and conditions on which the railway should be taken over by the Government.

27. The Commission recommend reopening of negotiations as to the acquiring by the Dominion of this line.

28. The Commission feel that the Trade Commissioners should be given much wider scope with a view to supporting business interests in foreign markets.

29. The Commission feel that it would be advisable to have a deputy minister dealing with fishery matters entirely. The Commission are unable to recommend any change in the system of bounty awards to fishermen.

30. They recommend that the Geological Department undertake a more detailed survey of New Brunswick, also an extensive survey of Prince Edward Island for the purpose of re-mapping, investigating mineral deposits and road-making materials and possibilities of its city resources.

31. They could not endorse Nova Scotia's claim for reimbursement of a portion of its expenditure on certain buildings, etc., \$200,000, as this would disturb the whole scheme of Federal aid for technical education. As to Prince Edward Island, they recommend the suggestion that technical education legislation should be deemed to include agricultural education.

32. The Commission recommend the immediate publication of a memorandum prepared by the Bureau of Statistics covering social and economic progress in the Maritimes since Confederation.

33. The Commission recommend that the Mayor of Victoria be elected by the members of the Victoria City Club to extend to you our sincere congratulations on your election by acclamation. When in Victoria some weeks ago the Mayor spoke to the City Club there on civic matters, and urged the young men of that city to take a keen interest in civic matters.

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MONTE CARLO INN CASES IN COURT

H. J. Johnson Fined \$50 for Having Liquor in Room—Case Against M. Simmons Postponed

H. J. Johnson was convicted by Magistrate George Jay the Provincial Police Court yesterday of unlawfully consuming liquor in a public place, to wit, the Monte Carlo Inn at Colwood, on Sunday, December 5, and was fined the sum of \$50, with the option of thirty days in jail. The fine was paid.

M. Simmons, proprietor of the Monte Carlo Inn, was arraigned on a charge of having liquor on his premises unlawfully. The accused pleaded not guilty and was remanded, when he took the magistrate that his attorney, Mr. Stuart Henderson, was out of town and would appear to defend him in the Provincial Police Court next Friday morning.

Evidence for the Crown

Evidence for the Crown in the case against H. J. Johnson was given by Sergeant Robert Owens and Constable Thomson. Sergeant Owens told of having received permission from the Attorney-General to enter the Monte Carlo Inn for the purpose of searching for liquor. Accompanied by Constables Thomson and Jackson, he visited the inn and, upon going into the room on the right of the entrance, which was occupied by the accused, found there one bottle of beer, which was one-half full, six full bottles of beer and six empty beer bottles.

Constable Thomson corroborated Sergeant Owens' testimony and said he had heard Johnson tell the sergeant that he accepted full responsibility for the liquor being in the room. Witness also said he had heard the accused say that he had brought the liquor out from Victoria to consume it there.

The accused, who pleaded not guilty to the charge, told the magistrate that the occasion of his first visit to the inn, on arriving at the inn he was shown to a private room. He registered as a guest and paid \$3 for the room. He had previously purchased liquor at the Government liquor store and had taken the liquor to the inn and placed it in the room. He said he found the police quiet and orderly and there were few people there.

Thought He Was Obeying Law

The accused said he was under the impression that he was not breaking the law, pointing out that he had been led to believe that he was quite within the law as a registered guest, and that he was entitled to have liquor in his room.

"I made no effort to conceal or hide this liquor from the police officers. I never drank any liquor in the room. I did not see any person consuming liquor there. It seems a funny thing that people can do the same thing in big city hotels, and it appears to be all right," witness said.

Magistrate Jay, in giving judgment, said that Johnson was not a guest, technically, at the Monte Carlo Inn, and could not be treated as such. What other people did at other places did not justify the accused's action in having liquor at the Monte Carlo Inn. The accused had hired a room for the purpose of consuming liquor, and was not a guest there, as he had no belongings, nor had he even had a meal on the premises. His Honor held, in imposing the minimum penalty of a \$50 fine.

CHAMBER DECIDES ON DRIVE FOR MEMBERS

Many Classes That Are Not Aiding Activities Will Be Canvassed

The directors of the Chamber of Commerce, realizing that there is urgent need of increasing the number of members of that organization if the work in hand is to be successfully carried along, will make a determined drive for new members during the next two weeks. This action was decided upon at a meeting that was held yesterday, after the whole situation had been very fully canvassed.

One of the first steps will be to seek to enlist the co-operation of a number who are not members of the Chamber and who the relation to the life of the city are deemed to be such that they should be active participants in the work that is being carried on. They are the subject of a business in the city that, it was felt by the members, was not doing its share in the enterprise of the Chamber. This enterprise the large corporations that are sustaining only one membership in the organization. At the meeting yesterday the record of many other similar bodies in nearby cities both in Canada and the United States was produced and showed that such corporations were in the habit of carrying a number of members in the chambers.

There will be a move made by teams that were selected at yesterday's meeting looking to the righting of these conditions. The team consists of two members each and the work of canvassing various firms and corporations was allotted to them. This work will be carried on in the next two weeks when a report will be forthcoming.

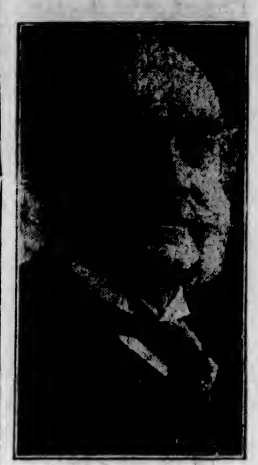
There is another class of prospective members that will be approached in a somewhat different way. This is the wholesale firms and other business places that have their headquarters in other cities but who maintain a branch in Victoria and have a representative that is doing business among the retailers of this city. In a great many cases these firms are members of the local Chamber of Commerce, confining their activities in this line exclusively to the city in which their headquarters are situated.

On motion of Mr. J. L. Beckwith and Mr. James Fletcher it was decided that there should be an active move made toward the local Chamber outside the city who were competing with the local firms in the same lines. They will be approached and the duty they owe to the local Chamber will be brought home to them. They will at the same time be urged to take their part in the business activities of the city by lending substantial aid to the Chamber of Commerce by becoming members and in many instances providing several memberships to the body.

This motion was carried unanimously.

It is hoped by these measures to bring about a very large increase in the number of members that will be placed in good standing in the Chamber.

Donates £50,000 to British Association



SIR ALFRED YARROW

Whose gift of £50,000 to the British Association for the Advancement of Science has been gratefully acknowledged by the Prince of Wales as president of that body. Sir Alfred's gift followed a donation of the same amount, made by Sir Charles Parsons some years ago, and was given in recognition of the present urgent needs of the association, and with the condition stipulated that the gift should be expended, both as to capital and interest, within a period of twenty years, this being a stipulation of Sir Charles Parsons' gift also. The support of these two leaders in industrial science justifies the hope that the association will be still further enabled to strengthen its powers of obtaining general attention for the objects of science, and of affording more steady assistance to scientific research in directions indicated as desirable during the deliberations of its various sections at the annual meeting.

Recount Changes Figures Slightly From Yesterday

RETURNING OFFICER Scowcroft and six deputies recounted the aldermanic, police commission and city manager referendum ballots yesterday. The school trustee ballots will be recounted today. Some changes were noted in the aldermanic recount. Alderman Cullin increased the number of his votes, lessening the difference between himself and Trustee Litchfield, while the recount gave Alderman Woodward a larger number of votes.

The result of yesterday's recount is as follows:

Aldermen, Five Elected	
Alderman P. H. Brown	2,484
Mr. James Adams	2,211
Alderman E. S. Woodward	2,101
Alderman J. B. Clearhue	2,021
Trustee H. O. Litchfield	1,920
Alderman W. Cullin	1,852
Mr. John A. Worthington	1,680
Alderman J. A. Shanks	1,345
Mr. E. H. Andros	1,217
Mr. John H. Litchfield	821
Mr. M. B. Wellburn	801
Total ballots cast	4,225
Spill ballots	23

Police Commission, One Elected
Commissioner W. Stanciland
Mr. Andrew McGavin 1,590
Mr. Walter Hall 748
Total ballots cast 4,225
Spill ballots 113

City Manager Referendum
Against 2,392
For 1,421
Total ballots cast 4,217
Spill ballots 174

Request Is Refused

Before Mr. Justice Gregory in Supreme Court Chambers yesterday, Mr. John H. Green made application for an extension of time allowed for filing an appeal to the Supreme Court of Canada in the case of John Arbuthnot, of this city, vs. The Pacific Coast Coal Mines, Limited. An appeal is sought against the judgment of the British Columbia Court of Appeal. His Lordship dismissed the application without prejudice, subject to any other appeal with further data being made.

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CHANGES PROPOSED IN VOTERS' LISTS

REPORT OF CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFICER ADVOCATES YEARLY LISTS

Time Between Nomination and Election Should Be Longer—Two B.C. Constituencies

OTTAWA, Dec. 10.—A method whereby voters' lists for Federal election would be brought up to date each year instead of the present procedure of compiling new lists each election, based on the latest Provincial list, is suggested by Colonel O. M. Biggar, chief electoral officer, in his report to the House of Commons, made public today. The report also favors allowing returning officers to continue in office for the full five years for which they are appointed, instead of the practice of cancelling the appointments of one set of such officials and naming others in their place when a new party comes into power.

A number of the difficulties now connected with elections would disappear, the chief electoral officer points out, if subordinate election officers were also selected without regard to their political affiliations. In other words, as nearly as may be in equal numbers from among the supporters of each of the principal political parties which may be expected to have candidates in the field.

One of the reasons why the party in power has been desirous of having one of their own supporters as a returning officer is that in case of a tie vote in the constituency, this official would have the casting vote. Such a situation has very seldom happened in this country, but Colonel Biggar suggests that in case of recurring officers being allowed to hold office throughout their term regardless of their political affiliation, there should be an understanding that such a casting vote should always be given in support of the official candidate.

Commenting on the inaccuracy of lists based on Provincial lists, the report says:

"In large cities where, if personation and fraudulent voting are to be prevented, voters' lists should be as nearly as possible complete and free from error, the lists based upon the Provincial lists are inaccurate to a serious degree. The value of the resulting Federal lists is reduced and unnecessary expense is incurred for the printing of names which the lists should contain."

The western constituencies which it is suggested be added to those with fourteen days between nominations and polling are:

British Columbia—Kootenay East, Vancouver North.

Manitoba—Brandon, Dauphin, Lacombe, Macdonald, Marquette.

WELL-KNOWN RESIDENT OF CITY PASSES AWAY

Mr. J. M. Ritchie, Who Had Lived Here Twenty-Four Years, Died Yesterday Morning

The death of Mr. James Milliken Ritchie, who for years had been an employee of the B.C. Electric Railway Company, occurred yesterday morning. For some time Mr. Ritchie had been in ill health. He was sixty-one years of age.

Mr. Ritchie was a native of Lancashire, Scotland. He came to this city about twenty-four years ago and had resided here ever since. For about twenty years he has been in the employ of the street railway company.

He was well known in the city and very highly thought of by his wide circle of acquaintances. Before coming to Victoria to reside he had served in the South African War. He is survived by his widow and one daughter, Miss Bertha Ritchie. The funeral will be held from the Sands Funeral Chapel this afternoon at 2 o'clock. Rev. Dr. McCloy officiating. Interment will be made in the family plot at Ross Bay Cemetery.

Obituary

ROACH—The funeral of the late Elma Olive Branch Roach took place from Hayward's R.C. Funeral Chapel yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Rev. Dr. McCloy officiating. Interment will be made in Ross Bay Cemetery. The following acted as pallbearers: Messrs. A. V. Hill, A. P. Walsh, E. W. McMillan and P. M. Russell. Interment was made in the Ross Bay Cemetery.

CONWAY—The remains of the late Edward Conway are reposing at Hayward's R.C. Funeral Chapel, whence the funeral service will take place this afternoon at 3:15 o'clock. Canon Hinchliffe will officiate. Interment will be made in Ross Bay Cemetery.

SMITH—The death occurred Thursday of Joseph Smith, aged fifty years, an Irishman by birth. Funeral services will be held at St. Andrew's Cathedral on Monday at 9 o'clock. Rev. Father Leterme officiating. Interment will be made in Ross Bay Cemetery. Arrangements are in the hands of the Sands Funeral Company.

MCGREGOR—At St. Joseph's Hospital yesterday morning, the death occurred of Mrs. Amelia Florence McGregor, wife of Mr. William H. C. McGregor, of 146 Clarence Street. The late Mrs. McGregor was born in Liverpool, England, forty-five years ago, and had been a resident of this city for twenty years. She is survived by her husband. The funeral will be held from the Sands Funeral Chapel on Monday at 2:30. Rev. F. A. P. Chadwick officiating.

HUPLAN—Funeral services were held at the Sands Funeral Chapel yesterday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock over the remains of Baby Elsie Deloraine Huplan, eight-month-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Huplan, of 1811 Yates Street, whose death took place Thursday evening. Interment was made in the Royal Oak Burial Park.

BRADEN—The funeral of the late Mr. John Braden, pioneer resident of the city, will take place this afternoon from McCall Brothers' Funeral Home at 2 o'clock. The Rev. J. C. Goodfellow will conduct the service, after which interment will be made at the Ross Bay Cemetery.

North Pole explorers bring back a report that the Eskimos are inveterate gamblers, even going as far as to put up their wives as wagers. The explorers also claim that for the most part the Eskimos are very good boys.

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Silk or Wool Scarfs, from \$2.50

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Idlers at Monte Carlo Are Now to Be Taxed

MONTE CARLO, Dec. 10.—Thousands of curious Americans who wish to see the inner workings of the Casino without risking any of their money on the tables are responsible for a raise in the admission price from five to ten francs. The Casino authorities contend that around-the-world tours, student parties, and especially the class of tourists who travel third-class and wish to see everything, are so cluttering up the gaming rooms with non-gamblers that the raise in price was a necessity.

Coincidentally came the announcement of the installation of automatic checking machines. The new machines check each article for one franc.

The Yuletide festivities demand a finer spirit—something especially good—such as "J.J." Make a point of having it.

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Waxed Lunch Paper, 1/2-lb. roll, reg. 25c, 2 for...	25c
Kellogg's All Bran, pkg. 18c...	18c
Aunt Dinah Molasses, tin 12c...	12c
Lux, pkg. 10c...	10c
Lifebuoy Soap, 4 bars 27c...	27c
Chocolate, large bar 20c...	20c
Fresh Hops, 1/2-lb. bag 25c...	25c

Empress Orange Marmalade, 4 lb. can 50c...	50c
Sugar House Molasses, 5-lb. can 35c...	35c
Quaker Corn, tin 15c...	15c
Eagle Brand Lobster, large tin 45c...	45c
Diacho Sliced Pineapple, 2 large cans for 25c...	25c
Evangeline Cider, bottle 20c...	20c

1 Tin Maple Baking Powder 1 Pkg. Empress Mince-meat 1 Tin Pepper or Spice all for 50c...	50c
1 lb. Empress Tea 3 Pkts. Jelly Powder 1 Jar Empress Jam or Marmalade, all for \$1.00	\$1.00

Uneda Soda Biscuits, 3 pkts. for 25c...	25c
Whole Wheat Meal Wafers, regular 40c lb. Very special 35c lb.	35c
Huntley & Palmer's Happy Time Biscuits, regular 35c pkg. for 25c...	25c
Christie's Best Assorted Biscuits, reg. 90c tins. Very special 59c...	59c
Car's Family Assorted Biscuits, regular 65c lb. for 50c...	50c

Ripe Bananas, per dozen 29c...	29c
Fresh Cranberries, 2 lbs. for 25c...	25c
Florida Grapefruit, 3 for 25c...	25c
New Navel Oranges, regular 50c dozen for 39c...	39c
Nice Lemons, per dozen 15c...	15c
California Grapefruit, each 5c...	5c
Local Soft Shell Walnuts, per lb. 23c...	23c
New Mixed Nuts, 2 lbs. for 25c...	25c

Kamloops Nettle Potatoes, 10 lbs. for 50c...	50c
Large Head Lettuce, each 10c...	10c
Fresh Savoy Cabbage, each 10c...	10c

Finest Selected Creamery Butter, per lb. 47c, or 3 lbs. for \$1.38	\$1.38
Sugar Cured Side Bacon, piece cut, per lb. 38c...	38c
Sugar Cured Back Bacon, piece cut, per lb. 38c...	38c
Sweet Pickled Picnic Hams, lb. 10c...	10c
Head Cheese, our own make, 3 for 25c...	25c

Home Cooked Potted Meat, lb. 20c...	20c
Mild Ontario Cheese, per lb. 25c...	25c
Domestic Shortening, 1-lb. pkg. 20c...	20c
Kraft Cheese, per lb. 37c...	37c
Peanut Butter, per lb. 15c...	15c
Pure Fruit Mince-meat, per lb. 15c...	15c
New Reception Mince-meat, lb. 20c...	20c

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MANY BABIES ARE WITH SETTLES WHO REACH THE WEST

WINNIPEG, Dec. 9.—The most noticeable feature of the arrival of the Canadian Pacific mail train bearing settlers from the St. Mary's, which reached here at noon today, was the large number of pretty babies and children of various ages. There were twenty-eight of the latter and sixty-four of the infants under five.

The majority of the persons on board are Mennonites and of the

Province of Saskatchewan. From the appearance of their luggage, the new settlers do not intend to spend a dull life, for no less than thirty-six stringed instruments were counted, one young lady carrying a violin and two other instruments resembling guitars.

The settlers were ticketed pretty well all over the West, thirty-two going to British Columbia, twenty-seven to Alberta, and 100 for Winnipeg, the others being for Saskatchewan.

With the British group are forty-one women and children, in care of Conductress Helen Davison, who are going on to Alberta and Saskatchewan for domestic service.

SAANICH PREPARES FOR CIVIC ELECTION

Municipal Clerk Sewell Appointed Returning Officer—Polling Stations Decided Upon

Mr. R. R. F. Sewell, municipal clerk, was appointed returning officer for the Saanich election, which will take place on January 15. Nominations will take place on January 10, in the Council Chamber, Royal Oak.

Authority was given Mr. Sewell to appoint the same deputy returning officers as last year, with any changes that might be deemed necessary. The following places were selected as polling stations: Ward One, Cedar Hill School; Ward Two, new Toinle School; Ward Three, Gordon Head Hall; Ward Four, Women's Institute Hall; Ward Five, Ross Oak School; Ward Six, Temperance Hall; and Ward Seven, Tillamook School.

Ratepayers of Saanich will be called upon to vote for the seven councillors, two school trustees, one police commissioner and one money-by-law.

CHAMBER DECIDES TO HOLD QUARTERLY MEETINGS IN FUTURE

The Chamber of Commerce will revert to the practice of holding quarterly meetings for the membership of the organization at which reports will be presented covering the activities of the period and an endeavor will be made to have an address given by some special speaker.

This decision was reached at a meeting of the directors of the Chamber yesterday when the future welfare of the body was made the subject of discussion. There were a number of members who felt that such a move was the one thing that would give greater satisfaction to the members than anything else. On the motion of Mr. J. L. Beckwith it was decided to adopt the plan.

In connection with the discussion it was announced by the secretary that there were six general meetings of the Chamber held this year.

It was also decided on motion of Mr. J. A. Griffith to appoint a permanent membership committee which would be on the lookout for plans for increasing the interest in the organization and would be alive to the enlistment of members in the association.

On the point of junior membership it was pointed out that there were a

Says Wireless Waves Will Transmit Power



MARCONI
The wireless waves, in a lecture before the Institution of Civil Engineers at London, England, said it was quite possible that electric waves would some day be used for the transmission of power over moderate distances. The waves would be projected in parallel beams, he said, to minimize the diffusion of energy into space.

number who had signified their intention to join under this plan. The matter would come up at the general meeting on Wednesday next when the necessary amendment to the by-laws to allow of this system being put into effect would be proposed. On its passing the junior members would be admitted.

MR. HOSIE TELLS OF COLLECTION OF BOOKS IN LIBRARY

Speaking before the local branch of the United Commercial Travelers yesterday at noon, Mr. John Hosie, Provincial Librarian, gave an interesting description of the library over which he exercises control. He said that it was the second best library in the Dominion of Canada.

Referring to some of the important books and documents that the Province possesses in this library, Mr. Hosie extended an invitation to the members of the United Travelers to visit the building and make an inspection of it.

Mr. Earl Chambers, Mr. McKay and Mr. Gerard were guests at the meeting.

Letters to Editor

No letter to the editor will be inserted except on the proper signature and address of the writer. This rule admits of no exception.

Comment on Civic Affairs

Sir.—May I ask you to please correct the following two errors of misprint. 1. In a letter from me published in your issue of yesterday, in the twelfth line you use the word "cause" substituted for the word "hane," which puts an entirely different construction on the matter.

2. In your today's issue quoting me in the first line of the last paragraph but one, you have the word "contributions," which should be "contributor."

3. The last paragraph is badly garbled. You have me as saying, "Personally, I hope the incoming Council will make their objective the welfare of the city employees."—Just exactly what I claim they have been doing to the detriment of the ratepayers, who are being impoverished thereby. What I did say was: "Personally, I hope the incoming Council will make their objective the welfare of the ratepayers as a whole and not lean unduly to the welfare of the city employees, as an instance in the unreasonable increase of civic salaries by over \$28,000 this year, whilst the ratepayers are strained to retain their property. I wish the incoming Council every success."

JOHN DEAN,
P.O. Box 243, Victoria, B.C., December 10, 1926.

British Income Tax Claims

Sir.—May I draw the attention of your readers to the fact that the above claims for the financial year 1926-27, which is the first year for which they can be preferred, must be definitely lodged with the Inland Revenue authorities here by April 5 next. After that date these claims will become statute-barred.

WILFRED T. FRY,
13 Buckingham Palace Gardens,
London, S.W. 1, November 24, 1926.

Motion Picture Industry

Sir.—From the number of letters on the subject in your paper, it seems that interest in the establishment of a motion picture industry (not film industry) in this country is very keen. Your correspondence all fail to really emphasize the two almost insuperable barriers that at present exist.

Having spent five years in the "movies" in Los Angeles, I appreciate the many advantages Victoria would possess as a centre for the production of pictures and for a purely selfish

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"ABOUT TWO YEARS AGO I WAS SUFFERING FROM CONSTIPATION AND INDIGESTION. My work required me to be on my feet all day and I was never able to get my meals at regular intervals. I was at a loss to find a remedy for my ailments. Finally a friend of mine recommended Fleischmann's Yeast and I began taking three cakes of Yeast a day. I continued taking Yeast this way for over a year and at present I am glad to say I am no longer troubled with either constipation or indigestion."
Fred S. Smith, Winnipeg, Man.

"I WAS LEFT VERY WEAK AND TIRED from overstudy and the after effects of an operation. I never had sufficient strength to enjoy recreations of any kind. I had no fun at all. Then I began taking Fleischmann's Yeast, eating two cakes of Yeast a day. It is now a year and a half since I started to eat Yeast and I am enjoying perfect health. I still eat Fleischmann's Yeast to give me pep."
Frede Allen, Calgary, Alta.

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Eat two or three cakes regularly every day, one before each meal: on crackers, in fruit juices, water or milk—or just plain, in small pieces. For constipation dissolve one cake in hot water (not scalding) before meals and at bedtime. Dangerous habit-forming cathartics will gradually become unnecessary. All grocers have Fleischmann's Yeast. Buy several cakes at a time—they will keep fresh in a cool dry place for two or three days.

And let us send you a free copy of our latest booklet on Yeast for Health. Health Research Dept. L-983, The Fleischmann Company, 1166 Burrard St., Vancouver, B. C., Canada.

"I SUFFERED GREATLY FROM INDIGESTION. I read about Fleischmann's Yeast and wondered if I were not overlooking the best remedy for indigestion. Nine months ago I began taking Fleischmann's Yeast. After a short time I noticed a marked improvement. I still eat Fleischmann's Yeast every day as I would never again suffer the agonies of indigestion."
[Mrs. D. Mitchell, Toronto, Ont.]

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Victor Garsneau, Montreal, Que.

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Sydney Tube Opens

SYDNEY, N.S.W., Dec. 10.—(Vancouver Province cable.)—The first train of Sydney's \$15,000,000 tube, completed within two years, was run yesterday, and the trial proved a complete success. Another event in public transportation is the closing of the steam tram services, which were inaugurated fifty years ago. Outlying suburbs served by them have been given over to the motor buses, whose competition was too severe for the old "puffing billies." The population of Greater Sydney now verges on 1,250,000.

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Solarium Ball Proves Brilliant Social Function

Hundreds of Dancers Attend Ball Given by Victoria City Police at Empress Hotel Last Evening—Ballroom and Writing-Room Thronged

The Victoria City Police lost none of their reputation for putting on a really first class ball when they were hosts last evening, at the Empress Hotel, at one of the most largely-attended social functions ever held in Victoria. Given in aid of the Queen Alexandra Solarium for Crippled Children, the ball, under the distinguished patronage of His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor and Miss MacKenzie, who were unable to attend, and were represented by Mr. A. M. D. Fairbairn, private secretary.

Committee in Charge
The reception committee comprised His Worship Mayor, Pendray, and Mrs. Pendray, Police Commissioner Stansland and Mrs. Stansland, Police Commissioner Aiken and Mrs. Aiken, Chief John Fry and Mrs. Fry, and Deputy Chief O'Leary and Mrs. O'Leary. The assistant master of ceremonies was Detective T. H. Hamford, while refreshments were in the hands of Sergeant Thomas Healey and Driver Haines.

The ballroom was gay with flags and colored lights. Zola's orchestra playing for the ballroom dancers, while those in the blue room enjoyed Bishop's music.

Three sittings for supper caused no

crowding or inconvenience, and the tables in the dining-room and gift tables were arranged with pink chrysanthemums.

Many Guests
Among the many dancers noticed were: Colonel and Mrs. Homer-Dixon, Colonel and Mrs. Eaton, Dr. Wace and Miss Wace, Dr. and Mrs. Russell, Robertson, Dr. J. N. Taylor and Miss Taylor, Colonel and Miss McMullin, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Pendray, Captain and Mrs. H. H. Ley, Miss Barton, Miss Marquitta, Nichol, Miss Plimley, Mr. and Mrs. Hewlett, Mr. Pat Farr, Mr. and Mrs. Aeland, Mr. Port, Mr. and Mrs. McPherson, Mr. Rainer, Mr. Port, Dr. Arthur Nash, Mr. and Mrs. Hanbury, Captain Jas. Matheson, Mr. and Mrs. Alexis Martin, Mr. B. J. Green, Mr. Tyson, Miss Kathleen Ross, Miss Lenore Hyndman, Miss S. Gillespie, Mr. Worthington, Mr. G. Fleiman, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Squire, Captain Gordon, Mr. and Mrs. Sangster, Mrs. H. A. Macdonald, Mrs. T. Hall, Mr. and Mrs. Richardson, Mr. and Mrs. A. Helmecker, Mr. and Mrs. Clark, Colonel and Mrs. Eaton, Miss Nash, Major and Mrs. Sherman, Mr. and Mrs. Reynolds, Mr. Maurice Cor-michael, Miss Hattenbury, Miss Butler, Mr. Priesewick, Miss McBride, Miss Sayward, Lieutenant Lay, Lieutenant Low, Lieutenant-Commander Worth, Mr. G. Barton, Mr. Crum, Mr. and Mrs. Chalmers, Major Gus Lyons, Mr. and Mrs. Hotham, Miss Dunbar, Miss Money, Mr. and Mrs. Dudley Green, Mr. and Mrs. L. Mara, Mr. and Mrs. Randall, Mr. and Mrs. Smith, Chief Hastings and Mrs. Hastings, Mr. and Mrs. Bloomfield, Mr. and Mrs. John Day, Mr. Sedger, Mr. P. Walls, Captain Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Anceombs, Mr. and Mrs. Luney, Hon. T. G. and Mrs. Coventry, Dr. and Mrs. Miller, Dr. Stewart, Mr. Strath, Miss Cockram, Miss Tomlin, Mr. and Mrs. Birnie, Mr. Ford, Dr. Henderson, Mrs. Hutchinson, Mr. Jack Hutchinson, Mrs. Tennant, Mr. Willis, Mr. and Mrs. Strong, Mr. R. Pinneo, Constable and Mrs. Jarvis, Mr. and Mrs. Gunn, Mr. and Mrs. J. Locke, Mrs. Stone, Miss Green, Mr. and Mrs. T. Burton, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gregory, Mr. and Mrs. T. Brown, Dr. and Mrs. Ford, Mr. and Mrs. C. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Howlins, Mr. K. Weston, Mr. and Mrs. Robinson, Lieutenant Grant, Mr. G. Campbell, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Troup, Miss Jane Warner, Miss Freda Warner, Miss I. Ker, Miss Marjorie, Mr. A. Beasley, Miss Mary Money, Mr. Jack Watson, Major and Mrs. Sherman, Mr. and Mrs. Macan, Mr. Crump, Mr. and Mrs. Waller, Mrs. Montgomery, Mr. and Mrs. Johnston, Mr. Harold MacDonald, Madame Mogenie, Miss Green, Mr. Edgell, Mr. J. W. Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. Maynard, Mrs. Gouge, Mr. and Mrs. Pottle, Mr. Murray, Constable and Mrs. Bishop, Sergeant Ireland, Mr. and Mrs. Copley, Miss Gillespie, Mr. Renouf, Miss Beacroft, Hon. A. M. and Mrs. Manson, Mr. and Mrs. Turner, Miss Coddington, Mr. M. B. Jackson, Mr. McLeish, Mrs. Sibbald, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert, Miss LaPointe, Miss Stevenson, Miss Hollis, Major and Mrs. Seale, Mr. A. Pitts, Miss B. Armour, Miss Wright.

Fashion Fancies

By Marie Belmont



Dark green rep is the material used for this very effective little frock. Instead of concentrating its decoration at the front, the front is finished plain, with a V-neck and a row of green covered buttons.

At the back, three tucks mark the waist portion, while the skirt is marked by three inset plaits which are continuations of the tucks in the waist.

Narrow bands of fitch finish the neck and cuffs, while a attatched leather belt in the same colors marks the lowered waistline.

Miss K. Turner, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Miles, Mr. A. Walls, Mr. and Mrs. Harman, Mr. C. C. Tunnard, Mr. and Mrs. Eli Beau, Commander Kingscote, Mrs. Raymond, Mrs. Butler, Mr. and Mrs. C. Brooke, Dr. H. Clark, Mr. Dig-gon, Mr. Partridge, Mr. Hudson, Mr. Burdick, and many others.

Y.W.C.A. HOLDS ITS MONTHLY MEETING

Interesting Reports Read and Plans for Christmas Made—Committee Acknowledges Donations

The monthly meeting of the Board of Directors of the Young Women's Christian Association was held at the association headquarters yesterday at 2:30 p.m. The president, Mrs. H. H. Smith, was in the chair. In the absence through sickness of the recording secretary, Miss Fawcett, Mrs. P. H. Elliott acted for the main building and for the annex on Courtney Street. Mrs. Nivn also reported on the re-organizing of the annex, in which the president has taken a very keen interest.

There was a good deal of correspondence, including a letter from Mrs. Dunsmuir, conveying kind wishes for Christmas cheer and new year, and enclosing a generous donation for Christmas cheer; other donations gratefully received from Mrs. William Grant and Miss Armstrong, Mrs. Beckwith, convener of the finance committee, reported on the meeting of that committee and a statement of finances of the association for the past six months was given, showing a balance to the good. The building account was also given, including investments and interest, amounting in all to \$24,000.

The general secretary reported on the activities of the past month, and girls who had visited the association, giving interesting details of the work. Mrs. Walte, supervisor of C.P.R. Immigration and Colonization from London, called at the office for information regarding the after-care of girls coming to this country. Mrs. Bishop, in concluding her address, for Christmas cheer and new year, and enclosing a generous donation for Christmas cheer; other donations gratefully received from Mrs. William Grant and Miss Armstrong, Mrs. Beckwith, convener of the finance committee, reported on the meeting of that committee and a statement of finances of the association for the past six months was given, showing a balance to the good. The building account was also given, including investments and interest, amounting in all to \$24,000.

Plans are being made for the annual At Home for members, on or about January 25, when the board is glad of the opportunity of meeting all its members.

Mrs. Colbeck gave an interesting report of the Travelers' Aid work, donations for that work including the following: Victoria Women's Institute, \$5; Langford Women's Institute, \$5; First Baptist Women's Union, \$12; Camosun Chapter, I.O.D.E., \$6; Spokane Women's Institute, \$4.50; Christ Church Cathedral, W.A., \$2; Mrs. William Grant, \$5.

Mrs. Russell reported for the religious committee. Sunday afternoon Bible class and daily vespers are fairly well attended. The concert given by the Welcome Club towards furnishing their clubroom in the new building was a great success, and much enjoyed, and the splendid effort of that club was appreciated by the board. Mrs. Adam, the honorary president of the Y.W.C.A., is keenly interested in this club and meets with it each Sunday.

The collection from the recent meeting of the world's week of prayer have been forwarded to the world's committee of the Y.W.C.A. Mrs. Pirce gave the report of the house committee, which met on Thursday afternoon. The house met, Mrs. Marwood, having added necessary equipment and new house and office furnishings, the report included a request for a child's high chair, which is often needed in the dining-room. Mrs. P. H. Elliott reported for the Girls' Work Committee, which had, by special efforts (and Mrs. Walter Luney's assistance) made \$15 during the past month, and through Miss Griffin, Girls' Work secretary, reported classes and clubs going along very satisfactorily, with increased numbers in all.

At the close of the meeting afternoon tea was served, and the president took the opportunity of expressing her appreciation of the cooperation of the board and committee, and wishing all the members a very happy Christmas.

CHRISTMAS PARADE TAKES PLACE TODAY

Well-Known Nursery Characters to Take Part in Procession Arranged by David Spencer, Ltd.

The big Christmas parade, which is being arranged by David Spencer, Limited, will take place this morning. Santa Claus will be the predominant figure in this event which promises to be one of the most spectacular affairs of the kind that citizens of Victoria have ever witnessed. Boys and girls, fathers and mothers, grandfathers and grandmothers are invited to join in this huge procession.

The parade will assemble this morning at the top of Yates Street at 10:30 o'clock, and the participants will march down to Spencer's store on Douglas Street. In view of the big crowd that will be in the vicinity of the department store, Chief of Police John Fry has issued instructions that View from Douglas to Broad Streets will be closed to traffic this morning from 8 o'clock until 12 noon.

The leading figures of the parade will include Santa Claus, in the boat in which he will arrive from the North, together with his look-out man. There will also be fifty clowns to perform their startling antics en route, and floats bearing such characters beloved to the youngsters as Jack, the hermit; the House that Jack Built; the Old Woman Who Lived in a Shoe, together with her big family; a Jack-in-the-Box; Jack and Jill; Old Mother Goose; Cinderella and her Prince, to say nothing of the fairy godmother; Alice in Wonderland; many giants and dwarfs, load-stools and fairies, live fruits and vegetables, who will caper around; totem poles, Woe Willie Winkles, hobby riders, old-time sheiks, milkmaids, and the latest ogopogo, as well as such well-known characters as John Bull, Andy Gump, Maggie and Jiggs. It is expected that everyone who is in sympathy with Christmas and all it means to the little folks will view this wonderful parade this morning.

NATIVITY PLAY GIVEN BY SEFTON COLLEGE

Christmas Message is Given in Laurence Houseman's "Bethlehem," Played by Clever Pupils

Laurence Houseman's charming Nativity play, "Bethlehem," was presented by the pupils of Sefton College last evening before a most appreciative audience at the Memorial Hall. The play, given in aid of the new parish hall of St. Matthias' Church, Poul Bay, was very cleverly and beautifully staged by children, under the able direction of Miss Roberts, of the school.

In his introductory remarks, the Rev. H. T. Archibald gave the theme of the play, and expressed his appreciation of the work done by the school on behalf of the worthy object for which the play was presented. As a solo before the prologue, Madame "Claude" sang "Bethlehem," accompanied by Mrs. Clifford Warr.

The children showed, by their clear enunciation and pleasing and clever acting, that they had been carefully trained in every detail. The costumes were particularly effective, those of the Three Kings being most colorful and gorgeous. The first scene showed the shepherds on the hillside who receive from the angel Gabriel the "glad tidings of great joy." The Three Kings entered in colorful array, bearing with them their gifts. The next scene of the Manger at Bethlehem was very simple and effective. Following the presentation of gifts to the infant Christ, the warning to Joseph came, and the flight of the Virgin and child into Egypt was shown.

Throughout the little play the chorus of songs and hymns by the children was delightful, and the entire play was made the more reverent and sincere by the absence of any applause on the part of the audience, the silent tribute being the more eloquent. The play carried with it the real Christmas spirit, and those taking part, together with those who helped with the production are to be congratulated on the success of their undertaking.

Rum Candy Cases

His Honor Judge Lampman will hear appeals against fines of \$1,000 by R. A. Morris, Limited, and \$300 by John Harris imposed by Magistrate George Jay in the city police court for the sale of rum chocolates, on Tuesday, December 14, in the County Court here. Since the appeal against the sentence imposed in the Victoria court was filed, Chief Justice

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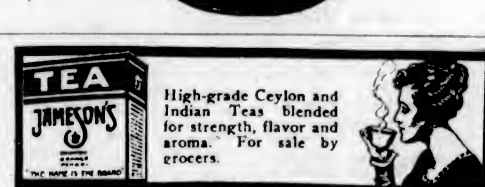
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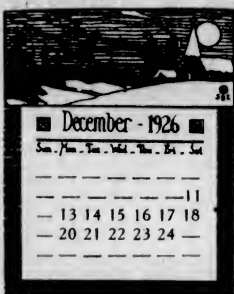
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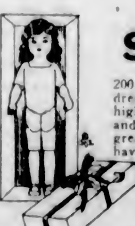
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Give two, if one seems small

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For a Man's Christmas

LONDON.—(By Mail).—Although the power of the American dollar is fabulous, it has so far failed to induce Romney to part with its famous psalter.

This illuminated manuscript, bound in calf, reposes under lock and key in a small cupboard, built into the wall in the vestry of the abbey, along with the parish records, and it is not every visitor who is privileged to inspect, much less to handle it.

During the past season more Americans than ever have journeyed to Romney—locally pronounced "Runsey"—to see the famous abbey, and many of them have gazed "pop-eyed"

at the psalter, which dates from 1440. "We have received many offers from them, running into huge sums, for the psalter," said an official. "But we have not been tempted to sell it. We do not think that the present generation would contemplate doing so, whatever may occur in the future."

The abbey is the property of the town, who bought it from Henry VIII for \$300—the deed hangs in a frame near the cupboard—and for a period the psalter disappeared.

It was eventually found in a London collector's shop, and an inspection showed that in the interval it had been in a private library. Romney bought it back by public subscription.

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CONAN DOYLE RAPS SCIENCE

Has Made Universe Clock-work Mechanical Wonder Swinging in a Vast Vacuum, He Says

AUTHOR READS PAPER AT PSYCHIC CONCLAVE

Experimental Research Does Not Touch Heart of Spiritualism, He Declares—Professor Jastrow Replies

WORCESTER, Mass., Dec. 10.—An attack on science, which he said had made the universe "a clock-work mechanical wonder swinging in a vast vacuum," was made by Conan Doyle, British novelist and proponent of spiritualism, in a paper read at the opening of a symposium of psychic phenomena at the University here. Sir Arthur had only a pitying tolerance for those scientific men who refused to see spiritualism as something susceptible of scientific proof.

The meeting represents every shade of thought given to the subject of whether it is possible to communicate with the other world.

Dr. Carl Murchison, in charge of the department of psychology, arranged the meeting, which has drawn several authorities in the United States and a few from Europe. His purpose is frankly to get together material for a book which will be a compendium of all that is thought upon the subject.

In his paper, Sir Arthur Conan Doyle lays a heavy hand on those who refuse to give psychic phenomena even a fair amount of credence. He sees in spiritualism the hope of a world beset by a multitude of conflicting religious creeds, and says that the ultimate goal of this belief is to afford a shelter for those weary and oppressed souls.

"I consider all this work of experimental psychic research, though very useful and necessary, to be a sort of super-materialism, which may approach but does not touch the heart of the subject," he said in his paper.

"That heart is, in my opinion, a purely religious one. The ultimate aim of the whole movement is to afford earnest minds in this age of doubt and stress some method of gaining a knowledge of our duties and our destiny, which shall be dissociated from outward observances and conflicting faith, so that by actual contact with intelligences which are now above our own, we may pick our path more easily amid the morass of religion. The ultimate result will be the union of science and religion, and such an increase of inspired knowledge as will lift humanity to a higher plane and send it reassured and comforted upon its further journey into the unknown."

"A Fairy Tale"

One of the great obstacles to this, he said, was that science and the brilliant destroyers of the last of medievalism, such as Hume, Gibbon, Paine and Voltaire, had swung the pendulum so far from the throttling hand of supernaturalism "that not only did the unreasonable and the ceremonies suffer, but the very idea of invisible things communicating with life became a fairy tale. Reformers wrought more than they planned."

"But meanwhile a separate line of thought and experience had always existed, undisturbed by the waxing and waning of materialism. It was the belief in the unseen, depending not upon faith, but upon happenings that were inexplicable save upon the supposition of intelligence, high or low, apart from ourselves. There was the incessant rumor of ghosts and visions, the curious experience of mystics, the phenomena of medieval witchcraft; such definite hauntings as those recorded in the house of John Wesley, the inexplicable miracles of the saints. All these combined presented a formidable body of evidence radically opposed to the conclusions of the materialists but it was all vague."

"Suddenly, in the inexplicable way in which Providence works, they all concentrated and challenged the attention of the world in the shack house of a peasant in the north of New York state. It was strange and rather sordid, but so was, for that matter, a carpenter's son in a manger."

"Divine values are not as ours."

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Well-Known Surgeon Dies After Operation

DR. GIBSON SILVERTHORNE
Noted Canadian surgeon, who died last week after an operation. He was head surgeon of St. Michael's Hospital, Toronto.

The moment had come when religious revelation was to be shifted from east to west, from the Jew to the Anglo-Saxon. It is true that America was, and is, unaware of the vital change, but it is also true that Palestine has never been a Christian country.

The main obstacles have been religious obstruction and prejudice, aroused by the fear that the old standards would be abolished, but this is now passing away and it is realized that spiritualism has come, not to destroy, but to clarify, regulate and make broader and more reasonable the old conceptions of Christianity by recognizing that cosmic spirit which has descended in various forms and degrees to all nations of the earth."

Victim of Credulity

WORCESTER, Mass., Dec. 10.—Charges that Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, British author and exponent of spiritualism, is a victim of credulity were made by Prof. Joseph Jastrow, of the University of Wisconsin, speaking at a symposium on psychic research at the University. Earlier in the session a letter from Sir Arthur had been read expressing the view that psychic research eventually would unite science and religion.

Taking as his subject: "The animus of psychic research," Prof. Jastrow said logic was the fundamental principle of all science, without which there could be no real investigation. Because of the animus or purpose of the investigator, he said, entanglement of fact and theory made the work difficult, but logic remained the plumb line of science.

"We must sift out the facts and test them, because sleight of mind is more subtle than sleight of hand," Prof. Jastrow said. "It is possible to substitute the gold of influence for the brass of fact. There is a tendency to find an bolster up facts to support our belief."

Liberal Women's Forum Holds Successful Social

Members of the Liberal Women's Forum and their friends gathered for a very enjoyable affair yesterday afternoon in the Liberal Club headquarters, Government Street. The function was another of the social teas in the organization of which the ladies are always so ready to assist. The guests, about 175 in number, being seated at small tables scattered around the room. Mrs. John Oliver, Mrs. Stuart Henderson, Mrs. J. T. MacDonald constituted the reception committee, and among the Ministers' wives who were present beside Mrs. Oliver were Mrs. W. H. Sutherland and Mrs. A. M. Manson, while there were also welcomed Mrs. C. J. V. Spratt, wife of the president of the association, and Mrs. C. R. Bishop, wife of the secretary. White and gold chrysanthemums were used in the decorations.

Convened by Mrs. J. A. Scott, the tea was a success in every respect. Mrs. Harold Grant and Mrs. J. T. MacDonald presided at the head table, Mrs. R. R. Taylor was at the receipt of the guests, Mrs. J. H. Young, Mrs. de Haquiere and Mrs. Nickerson read, while Mrs. Henderson and Mrs. Pilgrim, president and secretary respectively of the forum, were generally active. A delightful musical and dramatic programme enlivened the proceedings, those taking part being Mrs. Watt and Mrs. Parsons, vocalists; Miss Betty Kingsbury and Miss Lorna Benson, recitations; Mr. Oscar McCombe, violin solo; Miss Dorothy Scott, piano solo; and the Misses Dorothy and Marian Hargreaves and Mr. Chris Miller, violin trio. Each number was enthusiastically applauded. Mrs. Matthews accompanied the vocalists at the piano.

BURMA GOVERNMENT TO FREE ITS SLAVES WITHIN SHORT TIME

RANGOON, Dec. 11.—One of the last strongholds of slavery is to be "wiped up" by the Burma Government within the next few months. Slavery still survives in Upper Burma, in the triangle bounded by the Myitkyna and Mukuia rivers which join above Myitkyna to form the main Irrawaddy River.

An expedition under the direction of the Burma Government last year released thousands of slaves in the Hukoon Valley, but since then information has been received that slavery still exists in other unadministered tracts in Upper Burma, the worst conditions being in the tract referred to. In this large tribal territory, which is inhabited by Kachins and which is surrounded by administered territory, the Burma Government had agreed not to interfere with the local chiefs so long as they behaved themselves.

But recently an excuse to interfere was occasioned by the action of one of the local chiefs who raided the surrounding administered territory and recaptured two slaves who had escaped. They should on crossing the border have become automatically free.

The chief refused to give them up and the result has been the decision to make a new punitive expedition which will at the same time free all slaves in that territory.

Stanford Wins

NIAGARA FALLS, Dec. 10.—Stanford defeated Niagara Falls 4-3 in an overtime game in the Canadian Professional League tonight.

NILE HYDROGEN TO ILLUMINATE BERLIN

German Chemical Expert Foresees Time When Present Utilities Are Exhausted

BERLIN, Dec. 10.—Berlin houses will be lighted and heated by hydrogen brought from the Nile in quartz bottles by wooden ships, predicted Professor Binz in a lecture before the Association of German Chemists now in session in Berlin. Unless the white race is able to solve this and similar problems he avers it will be unable to retain supremacy over the blacks.

Professor Binz was looking into the distant future when the earth's supplies of iron, copper and other metals are exhausted, and man is forced to find substitutes the same as is now being done for gasoline and other natural resources which are showing signs of being exhausted within a measurable time. The proposal to bring canned tropical heat to temperate zones is only one of the examples Professor Binz cited as problems that science and chemistry must solve for the human race.

By constructing immense sun engines on the Nile, he says its waters can be converted into hydrogen, and after bottling, sent to colder climates both for heating and lighting. He also predicted that ebb and flood tides, the sun's energy and the earth's interior heat will soon be harnessed and made to serve man.

Colonel's Magic

Wins Mahdi Man

LONDON (By Mail).—He was a native prisoner, and he was brought before Colonel Sir James Dornier during the Sudan war against the Mahdi.

"Do the Mahdi's followers believe in the omnipotence of their leader?" Sir James asked.

The native tremblingly said that they did.

"Then, can the Mahdi do this?" asked Sir James, taking out his glass eye, tossing it in the air, and replacing it.

The native, shivering with fright, agreed that the Mahdi was incapable of such devastating magic.

This is one of the many good stories which Major-General Sir Leopold Swaine, K.C.B., C.M.G., tells in his book, "Camp and Chancery in a Soldier's Life."

He also tells a story of the German Emperor William I. before the war of 1870 with France. The Emperor received a telegram from Paris and, accompanied by Bismarck and others, went to a waiting-room where the Emperor's son read it by the dim light of a lamp. It described a violent scene in the French House of Representatives.

"When my son had finished," said the Emperor to the author, "I thought for a moment, and then asked all assembled, whether they could suggest a better reply to this telegram than an order for the mobilization of the whole German army. Every one agreed, upon which, turning to Bismarck, I said that I would be ready to sign the order in half an hour's time."

The Emperor afterwards bought the lamp and hung it in the Hohenzollern Museum in the Montbijou Palace.



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SANTA CLAUS WITH HIS LOOK-OUT MAN IN HIS WONDERFUL BOAT

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HOUSE THAT JACK BUILT
FIFTY CLOWNS
OLD-TIME SHEIK AND
MILKMAID

HOBBY RIDERS
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FAIRIES
OLD WOMAN WHO LIVED
IN A SHOE
JACK AND JILL

CINDERELLA, PRINCE AND
"FAIRY GODMOTHER"
OGOGO
SING A SONG OF SIX-
PENCE

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GIANTS AND DWARFS,
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Gift Over-Blouses

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Over-Blouses of the tailored type so smart this season: made from good quality spun silk in several different models, the vest effect, plain hem or band finish, with Branley, convertible or Robespierre collars and plain or tucked fronts. Big selection at **\$5.95**.
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For Women
Gloves as gifts are always appreciated, and our great assortment provides choice for all. There are Gloves of fine kid-skin, suede, Cape skin, cham- ois and suede fabric, in novelty or tailored styles. Priced from **79¢** to **\$5.25**.
—Gloves, Main Floor

Gift Suggestions

From the Art Needlework Section
Hand-worked models to clear today at less than cost. A splendid opportunity for gift buyers. There are Cushions, Aprons, Children's Dresses, Pantie Dresses, Boudoir Pillows, Crib Pillows, Rompers and Romper Suits, Stuffed Dolls, Laundry Bags, Ecu Scarfs, Tea Cloths, Luncheon Sets, Buffet Sets and Bureau Scarfs.
—1st Floor



Umbrellas

For a Lady's Gift

Very good looking are these Umbrellas, covered with cambric, gloria or silk, and with such smart novelty handles. Wide range of prices. Cambric covered at **\$1.50** and **\$2.00**. Gloria covered at **\$2.50** to **\$5.00**. Colored gloria covered, some with fancy borders, at **\$3.50** to **\$5.50**. Colored Silk Umbrellas, in plain or with fancy borders, at **\$8.50** to **\$10.50**.
—Umbrellas, Main Floor

A Wealth of Practical Christmas Gifts in the Home Furnishings Section

A great selection of Dainty and Useful Cushions. Priced from **35¢** to **\$2.95**. Tapestry Table Runners, silk and velour. Priced at **\$7.50** to **\$15.00**. Novelty Shopping Bags, cretonne or leatherette, at **\$1.35** to **\$1.95**. Bissell's Carpet Sweepers at prices from **\$4.95**.
—2nd Floor

BOOKS

A visit to our Book Department will give you a thousand and one delights, to say nothing of as many ideas for gifts. There you will find classics as well as modern poetry and fiction so displayed to make choosing easy, priced upwards from **50¢**. A special display of Children's Books is remarkably fine—books for all ages, priced upwards from **50¢**.
—Lower Main Floor

Gift Stationery

If you haven't seen the lovely new Stationery we are showing this season, you will miss something which will fill many a gift need most admirably. In conservative light colors as well as white, club, personal and note size. Beautifully boxed. Priced from **50¢** to **\$5.00**.
—Stationery, Lower Main Floor



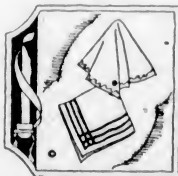
Men's Better-Grade Kid Slippers

Romeos and Everetts, with turn soles, at **\$3.50**.
—Men's Shoes, Main Floor

Gift Sweaters

Smart Novelty Silk and Wool Cardigans for Women and Misses, **\$6.90**

Showing the new roll collar Cardigan, finished at bottom, with two pockets. Most attractive shades of fawn, mauve, grey, white and black, **\$6.90**.
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For Women

We are showing a charming collection of dainty Handkerchiefs, in all colors, with embroidered edges and corners or bright hand-blocked designs, in lawn and linen, from, each **15¢** to **35¢**. In a presentation box, priced from **50¢** to **\$1.95**. Novelty Silk Handkerchiefs from, each **25¢** to **95¢**.
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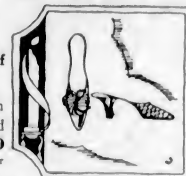
Gift Linens

Our assembly of beautiful Linens will prove a great resource for practical Christmas gifts. Here you will find the finest from the looms of Ireland, snow-white fabrics woven in all the noted designs. Table Cloths, Runners, Squares, Doilies, Napkins—all sizes, all prices. Call at the department and see the great range.
—Linens, Main Floor

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For Women, in a Great Choice of Pretty Styles

Quilted or plain satins, many with embroidered toes and multi-colored effects, at **\$2.00** and **\$3.00**.
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Of First Quality Felt
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—Boys' Store, Lower Main Floor

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Axminster Rugs, 27 x 54 inches, with rich, deep pile. Each **\$3.00**. French Silk Wilton Rugs, 28 x 60 inches. Small size rugs with an all-silk pile and Oriental designs. Each **\$10.50**. Oriental Rugs in great variety, from **\$35.00**.
—Rugs, 2nd Floor

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Electric Table Lamps **\$5.25**
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Electric Clamp Lamps **\$3.25**
to **\$4.50**

FOR THE CHRISTMAS TREE
Set of Eight Colored Lights, Set of Eight Super Novelty complete **\$1.45** Lights, complete **\$1.95**.
—Lower Main Floor

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